IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : SCHELLER, Gregg, et al.

US Application No.: 10/625,434 Filed: 23 JULY, 2003

Entitled: Device for Radial Optic Neurotomy

Examiner: UNKNOWN Art Unit: UNKNOWN

January 7, 2004

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.102(d)

(BASED UPON ACTUAL INFRINGEMENT)

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

COMES NOW Gregg Scheller, co-applicant of application number 10/625, 434 filed JULY 23rd, 2003, entitled "Device for Radial Optic Neurotomy" currently not yet assigned within an Art Unit or to an examiner, and does hereby declare to the best of his knowledge that there is (1) an infringing device and product on the market manufactured by Dutch Ophthalmic USA, of Kingston, NH, USA under the model and name 1293-L Spaide CRVO Knife, (2) that a rigid comparison of the alleged infringing device and product with the claims of the application has been made and that in my opinion claims 1, 2, 5, 6, and 13 are infringed by the aforesaid product and method claims 18 - 20 are infringed by use of the aforesaid product, and (3) that I have good knowledge of the prior art. Included herewith is an advertisement copy showing the aforementioned product from the aforesaid infringer which is incorporated into this petition. The aforementioned product comprises a blade having an asymmetrical "V" shaped tip, said "V" shaped tip having a point and a broad portion, a first leg of said "V" shape having a sharpened edge, and a second leg of said "V" shape having a dulled edge and a tip holding shaft having a central axis, a first end, and a second end attached substantially near said broad portion of said "V" shaped tip and a depth gauge positioned substantially with said blade whereby depth of penetration of said blade is monitored, all as described in the aforementioned claims of the present application.

Applicant has herewith filed his information disclosure statement, made of record, which cites all references which are deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by

the claims.

I, Gregg Scheller, Applicant, hereby request that my patent application entitled "Device for Radial Optic Neurotomy" be made special with an expedited examining procedure and process pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.102(d) immediately upon arrival of this document at the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed is the required fee of \$130.00 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(i).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Date

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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